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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 15, 2004 OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed December 15, 2004 ("Office Action"), please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks. These documents are timely filed on or before March 15, 2005. Applicants believe no fees are due with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19904-008.

**Amendments to the claims** are shown in a listing of claims which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** are shown starting on page 4.



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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-referenced patent application are the following documents:

- ☒ Amendment and Response to December 15, 2004 Office Action (10 pgs.);
- ☒ Exhibit A (5 pgs.); and
- ☒ Return postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 617-542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 19904-008. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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